

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

NEPA SPECIALIST/FISHERIES ANALYST

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DUTIES: To serve as a fisheries analyst, with primary responsibilities to ensure that all Council analyses are compliant with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Will assist the Executive Director, Deputy Director, and the Council in the identification and analysis of issues pertaining to fisheries management off Alaska, particularly the groundfish fisheries. Will participate as part of a team of economic and biological analysts from Council staff and from the staffs of other agencies. Preparation of Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review/Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analyses (EA/RIR/IRFAs) and/or Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for a variety of proposed management measures will be a core responsibility, with particular emphasis on NEPA compliance.

Specific duties will include:

1. Preparation of economic, statistical, and other analyses and reports for use in the amendment of fishery management plans. Compile technical data and assist in preparation of EAs/EISs. Contributing to the development of economics issues, policy issues, and position papers to assist the Council in the formation of fisheries management measures.
2. Conducting critical reviews of other analyses developed in support of plans. Coordinate with other staff analysts and analysts from other agencies, including the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Function as the primary NEPA contact with other government agencies, and be responsible for technical revisions to analyses as required, prior to submission for review by the Secretary of Commerce.
3. Acting, upon assignment, as a liaison between the North Pacific Fishery Management Council and other agencies with which it cooperates, including the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Northwest & Alaska Fisheries Center, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, other Council staffs, the International Pacific Halibut Commission.
4. Acting, upon request, as spokesman for the staff in discussions with the Council or the Council's committees on matters relating to the impacts of proposed fishery management regulations.
5. Attending public hearings, committee meetings, and other meetings and hearings as required.
6. Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Desired Minimums:

- ! Master's degree or higher in natural resource policy, agricultural economics, fisheries sciences, or related discipline.
- ! Progressively responsible experience in analysis and research related to fisheries or other renewable natural resources.
- ! Ability to articulate technical information to non- technical audiences, and ability to write clearly and succinctly.
- ! A knowledge of U.S. fishery management institutions, and knowledge of the various laws pertaining to management of the fishing industry, including the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, the Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and others. In particular, the successful applicant will possess a demonstrated knowledge of NEPA and the preparation of regulatory documents in compliance with all NEPA provisions.
- ! Proficiency in the use of microcomputers for statistical analysis and interfacing with mainframe computers.

Persons with qualifications less than the specified minimums may be considered, but placement of such persons may be accordingly lower.

Preferred:

- ! Familiarity with North Pacific fisheries and their management.
- ! Demonstrated abilities in fisheries management analyses and writing.
- ! Experience with multi-disciplinary task forces.
- ! Experience in preparation of EAs/EISs, with emphasis on provisions of the ESA and NEPA.

SALARY: GS-11/12 equivalent plus COLA (\$55,000-\$66,000 starting range, DOE), plus fringe benefits package that includes life and health insurance and participation in the State of Alaska Retirement Plan.

LOCATION: The Council office is located in Anchorage, Alaska. Travel will be required to attend meetings in other Alaska and Pacific Northwest locations.

TERM OF EMPLOYMENT: A commitment of three years is desired. Funding for this position is assured for three years, and outlook for continued funding beyond three years is very good. Interagency personnel assignments (IPAs) also will be considered.

TO APPLY: A current curriculum vitae or employment resume, which highlights relevant experience, training, education, research skills, and publications, is required. A brief statement of interest, which describes the skills you would bring to this position, is also requested. Please include your time of availability. Send these materials to:

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The deadline for applications is November 10, 2001

Telephone inquiries: Chris Oliver, Deputy Director (907) 271-2809.

No format is prescribed; however, resumes and statements of interest which do not exceed three pages in length will be appreciated. Letters of recommendation or references may be included. Education transcripts are not needed at this time.

